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In re application of:

Mack, et al

Application No.: 09/642,034

Filed: August 18, 2000

For: NOVEL METHODS OF DIAGNOSING BREAST CANCER, COMPOSITIONS, AND METHODS OF SCREENING FOR BREAST CANCER MODULATORS

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 10, 2001, please amend the above identified application as follows. Enclosed is a Petition to Extend Time for four months, from January 10, 2002 to May 10, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 7 and 31. Please add new claims 32-49 as follows:

32. (New) A method of diagnosing breast cancer comprising:

a) determining the expression of a gene at least 75% identical to

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